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Dr. Joshua Lederberg
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Dear Professor Lederberg:

I want to thank you very much for taking time out of your busy schedule to join me at my press conference in Los Angeles. I am told you made the trip at the expense of missing part of another meeting in Palo Alto. I am very much indebted to you for making that sacrifice.

As you can see from the enclosed article, your presence at my press conference provided a great boost to my campaign. I was very much interested in the ideas you were discussing with me before the press conference. The role of law enforcement officials and their use of "fail-safe" weapons is one which is of great concern to me. I have received your notes on arms control which I hope to be able to read soon after the election.

I hope very much you will continue to offer your advice and ideas to me. The concept of a Scientific Advisory Panel is one I hope to continue after my election. I feel very strongly that the expertise that you and others can provide on certain issues will be very beneficial in helping to inform and shape my position.

Thank you again very much for joining me last Friday. With your support, I know we will win a great victory for all Californians in November.

Warmest regards,


John V. Tunney

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